Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Kris Ringstmeyer has dedicated the past 25 years to serving the health and nutrition needs of South Dakotans; and,

Whereas, From 1968 to 1972, Kris studied at South Dakota State University, earning a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics Education degree in January 1972; and,

Whereas, From 1972 through 1977, Kris was a Home Economics instructor at Winner Public School, resigning from that position to continue working part-time as a preschool teacher and managing a restaurant while raising her five children with her husband, Bill, on the family farm near Winner, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, She joined the South Dakota Department of Health in 1986 as a Regional Nutritionist for the WIC Program and the Family Day Care Food Program, opening the first regional nutrition office in Winner; and,

Whereas, Kris was actively involved in the work of the Community Health Services Program as a Nutrition Team Leader, participated in the nutrition education materials committee, and provided coverage as needed to serve families throughout the state; and,

Whereas, She has continued providing services as a Nutrition Educator as part of Community Health Services Region 2 team and to All Women Count clients as they work toward making healthy lifestyle changes; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of her retirement from the Department of Health, which will occur on November 8, 2011:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 8, 2011, as

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in South Dakota, and I join her family, friends, and colleagues in offering her best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State